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In re application of:	Group Art Unit: Not Assigned
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Serial No. 09/539,459	Examiner: Not Assigned
Filed: March 30, 2000	Attorney Docket No. A-66954/RMA
For: METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR EFFICIENTLY RETRIEVING STATUS FOR SCSI ACCESSED FAULT-TOLERANT ENCLOSURE (SAF-TE) SYSTEMS	
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02 FC:102   240.00 OP

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted for the above-referenced application. Please make the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS

1.   (Unchanged) In a system of the type having a host processor and a subsystem coupled to said host processor, a method for communicating a change in said subsystem status or in a component in or coupled to said subsystem without polling by said host processor on a periodic basis, said method comprising:

establishing a communication link between said host processor and said subsystem;

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Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-entitled application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(2) Highest Previously Minus Paid For	Present Extra	(3) SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	(4) OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE
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_X_ Please charge any additional fees, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Order No. A-66954/RMA).

Respectfully submitted,

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